and their consequences, and by the apotheosis of one who in his latter years was an irresponsible megalomaniac, artificially to create the impression not only in China, but throughout the civilized world, that Dr. Sun deserves to rank among the world's greatest men, and, also its greatest bene-factors. This status will be impugned in the following pages. It will be demonstrated that during his lifetime his chief claim to fame, or infamy, was his destructiveness ; that on no single occasion did he display any real constructive ability; and that the political philosophy with which he appears to have infected the China of to-day is a sham, and is based upon theories and arguments unworthy of a kindergarten pupil. For any Chinese, to-day, to endorse the above views would be arrant blasphemy; the "Three Princi-ples" are sacrosanct, and woe betide any son of Han who ventures to question their infallibility,

It must, however, be supposed that at least a very considerable proportion of educated Chinese, who have to participate in the weekly memorial services, and to render lip-service to the *San Min Chu I,* do so tongue in cheek. Acute conflicts of opinion as to the real meaning of the obscure phraseology of some of Dr. Sun's pronouncements arose soon after his death. And to-day

commonsense, and practical considerations, preclude serious attempts on the part of the more responsible political leaders to apply to everyday administrative problems theories which will not fit, or solve, them. The pretence, however, is still maintained that the dominant Party is striving to evolve a system of